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B. SECDEF 211407 Z JUN 73

1. AS INDICATED PARA 4, REF A, JSP DIET MEMBER NARASAKI TOOK GOJ TO TASK AT JULY 21 CABINET COMMITTEE MEETING FOR HAVING STATED IN JDA DOCUMENT THAT GOJ MAY WISH SHARE DEFENSE BURDEN THROUGH STEPPED UP ECONOMIC AID TO ASIAN COUNTRIES SUCH AS SOUTH KOREA.

2. JDA DIRECTOR GENERAL YAMANAKA ACKNOWLEDGED FACT THAT AN EARLIER WORKING DRAFT OF JDA DOCUMENT DID CONTAIN STATEMENT TO THAT EFFECT. HE CAUTIONED, HOWEVER, THAT THE STATEMENT WAS DELETED FROM FINAL VERSION OF JDA PAPER TABLED AT SSC MEETING ON MAY 30, AND SAID SUCH STATEMENT SHOULD NOT APPEAR IN ANY JDA DOCUMENT SINCE FOREIGN POLICY AND ECONOMIC POLICY ARE NOT WITHIN PROVINCE OF JDA.

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3. NARASAKI SAID THAT EVENTS WERE MOVING IN DIRECTION DEFENSE BURDEN- SHARING SINCE GOJ HAD OFFERED \$50 MILLION AID IN KIND TO SOUTH KOREA IN JFY 1972 , COMPARED WITH NO SUCH AID IN PREVIOUS YEAR. FONOFF SPOKESMAN REFJECTED THIS VIEW. SAID GOJ HAS BEEN GIVING ECONOMIC AID TO KOREA FOR SOME TIME, AND HAD EXTENDED COMMODITY CREDIT IN JFY 1972 TO HELP IMPROVE ROK BALANCE OF PAYMENTS.

4. AS SEEN ABOVE, DEFENSE BURDEN- SHARING IS STILL HIGHLY SENSITIVE ISSUE IN JAPAN, AND ONE NOT LIKELY TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY GOJ WITHOUT CAREFUL POLITICAL SPADEWORK. ACCORDINGLY, EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT REPORTS (SUCH AS REFERENCES TO REF B) WHICH STATE THAT GOJ HAS SOLD RADAR EQUIPMENT TO ROK ARMY OR IS WILLING GRANT NON- LETHAL ASSISTANCE SHOULD BE DOUBLE- CHECKED.

5. FOR SEOUL: REQUEST REF MESSAGES TO REF B (COMUSKOREA 130625 Z JUN 73 AND DAO SEOUL IR 6855 020370, 30 NOV 70).
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